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The lack of an index has always been an obstacle to the free use of the work by students and this want has now been filled in a very remarkable way. Mr. Morgan Poitiaux Robinson, a graduate of the University of Virginia and a practising attorney of this city, has prepared an index which is almost unparalleled—certainly no book about Virginia has ever had such a one.

The Virginia State Library recognizing the great value of Mr. Robinson's work made arrangements with him for its publication as a bulletin. The compiler says in his preface, "the usefulness of an index is limited only by its scope, and by the accuracy with which its work is done." Tested in either way this most remarkable and valuable index meets every demand. There is a bibliography of the various editions of Stith and what is even more important, there is a table which makes the index available for all editions.

This, like other State Library bulletins, is not for sale, but is distributed by the Library.

**A LIST OF THE REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS OF VIRGINIA.** By H. J. Eckenrode, Chief of Archive Department, Virginia State Library. Annual Report Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va., 1911, pp. 488.

It is a remarkable exposition of the valuable work which the Virginia State Library is now doing for our history that we can notice at the end of one quarter, the appearance of three contributions to the subject—all of high class.

Two of them have been described above. The third, which is the most generally useful, is the list of Revolutionary officers and soldiers whose names appear in any Virginia record. Dr. Eckenrode has done this work with his usual thoroughness and good judgment. He states that his work is necessarily only a beginning, but it is a most extensive and valuable one. Dr. Eckenrode prefaces the list with an introduction which contains much matter of interest. Thousands of pages of manuscript have been examined and the names of thousands of men are given which appear in none of the lists commonly consulted.

The list is absolutely indispensable to any one who desires information in regard to Virginia's Revolutionary Army. It also shows in a way never done before, how many men Virginia contributed to that army.

Of course, in such a work, the Chief of the Department of Archives had the energetic and intelligent assistance of other members of the Library staff.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED.

**MARCUS ALONZO HANNA.** His Life and Work, by Herbert Croley, New York. The MacMillan Company, 1912. pp. 495, with thirteen portraits and other illustrations.

**THE ANNEXATION OF TEXAS.** By Justin H. Smith, author of "The Troubadours at Home," "Our Struggle for the Fourteenth Colony," "Arnold's March from Cambridge to Quebec," Etc. Recently Professor of History in Dartmouth College, New York. The Baker & Taylor Co., 1911. pp. 496.

**THE SPANISH SETTLEMENTS WITHIN THE PRESENT LIMITS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1513-1561.** By Woodbury Lowery. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, 1911, pp. 515 with maps.

**THE SPANISH SETTLEMENTS WITHIN THE PRESENT LIMITS OF THE UNITED STATES. FLORIDA, 1562-1574.** By Woodbury Lowery. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, 1911. pp. 500, with maps.

**THE JUSTICE OF THE MEXICAN WAR.** A Review of the Causes and Results of the War, with a View to Distinguishing Evidence from Opinion and Inference. By Charles H. Owen, M. A. (Yale), LL. B. (Harvard), formerly of Staff Fourth Division, Second Corps, Army of Potomac. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London. p. 291.

**SCUFFLES.** By Sally Nelson Robins. The Alice Harriman Company, New York, 1912. pp. 207, three illustrations. (Fiction.—From Bell Book & Stationary Company, Richmond, Va.)